

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A method for trading ~~of intangible assets in a computer-based futures exchange system~~, the method comprising the steps of:

providing, from a computer-based system designed to provide information about a secondary market for a plurality of futures contracts, in which the futures contracts are based on underlying obligations of a structure in which the futures contract obligates a holder of the futures contract to make a future payment obligation of an obligee to an obligor and entitles the holder to control a future performance obligation of the obligor, indications designed to permit secondary trading between current holders of the futures contracts and prospective holders of the futures contracts.

~~accessing a listing of a plurality of intangible asset futures contracts;~~
~~selecting an intangible asset futures contract from the listing; and~~
~~viewing trading status of the selected intangible asset futures contract.~~

2. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, in which the at least one futures contract comprise at least one ~~a further comprising executing a trade of intangible asset futures contracts in~~ futures contract fund.

3. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising executing a trade of the at least one ~~intangible asset~~ futures contract.

4. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising providing an indication of viewing at least one term of the at least one ~~intangible asset~~ futures ~~contract's terms of~~ contract.

5. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising providing an indication of ~~viewing a trading status of the~~ at least one ~~intangible~~ asset futures contract ~~fund terms of~~ contract.

6. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising providing data related to the at least one ~~intangible~~ asset futures contract.

7. (currently amended) ~~The method of claim 2, further comprising providing data related to the intangible asset futures contract funds.~~ A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing a method comprising:
causing a system designed to provide information about a secondary market for a plurality of futures contracts, to provide indications designed to permit secondary trading between current holders of the futures contracts and prospective holders of the futures contracts, in which the futures contracts are based on underlying obligations of a structure in which the futures contract obligates a holder of the futures contract to make a future payment obligation of an obligee to an obligor and entitles the holder to control a future performance obligation of the obligor.

8. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising ~~utilizing~~ providing analysis tools related to the at least one ~~intangible~~ asset futures contract.

9. (currently amended) ~~The method of claim 2, further comprising utilizing analysis tools related to the intangible asset futures contract fund.~~ A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing a method comprising:
causing a system designed to provide information about a secondary market for a plurality of futures contracts to allow access to a listing of futures contracts, to allow selection of the at least one futures contract from the listing, and to facilitate a trade

including the at least one futures contract, in which the futures contracts are based on underlying obligations of a structure in which the futures contract obligates a holder of the futures contract to make a future payment obligation of an obligee to an obligor and entitles the holder to control a future performance obligation of the obligor.

10. (currently amended) A method ~~system~~ for trading, ~~of intangible assets the~~ method comprising the steps of:

~~an equipment of a futures exchange system configured to~~ accessing a listing of futures contracts associated with a computer-based system designed to provide information about a secondary market for a plurality of futures contracts that includes of a plurality of intangible asset futures contracts, in which the futures contracts are based on underlying obligations of a structure in which the futures contract obligates a holder of the futures contract to make a future payment obligation of an obligee to an obligor and entitles the holder to control a future performance obligation of the obligor;

~~selecting an intangible asset the at least one futures contract from the listing, and~~ executing a trade including the at least one futures contract.

~~view the trading status of the selected intangible asset futures contract.~~

11. (currently amended) ~~The system of claim 10, wherein the equipment of a futures exchange system is configured to execute a trade of an intangible asset futures contract.~~ A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing a method comprising:

causing a system to standardize at least one term related to a plurality of futures contracts for a secondary market of futures contracts, in which the futures contracts are based on underlying obligations of a structure in which the futures contract obligates a holder of the futures contract to make a future payment obligation of an obligee to an obligor and entitles the holder to control a future performance obligation of the obligor.

12. (currently amended) The ~~system~~ method of claim 10, wherein ~~the equipment of the futures exchange system is configured to execute a trade of intangible asset futures contracts in a~~ the at least one futures contract includes a futures contracts fund.

13. (currently amended) ~~The system of claim 12, wherein the equipment of the futures exchange system is configured to access a listing of intangible asset future contracts funds, select an intangible asset futures contract fund from the listing, and view trading status of the selected intangible asset futures contracts fund.~~ The method of claim 1, in which the future performance includes at least one of a sport performance and an artistic performance.

14. (currently amended) The ~~system~~ method of claim 10, further comprising wherein ~~the equipment of the futures exchange system is configured to~~ viewing a term of the at least one ~~intangible asset futures contracts terms of contract.~~

15. (currently amended) ~~The system of claim 10, wherein the equipment of the futures exchange system is configured to provide data related to the intangible asset futures contract.~~ The method of claim 10, in which the future performance includes at least one of a sport performance and an artistic performance.

16. (currently amended) ~~The system of claim 10, wherein the equipment of the futures exchange system is configured to provide data related to the intangible asset futures contract fund.~~ The method of claim 21, wherein the at least one term includes at least one of a term of the at least one futures contract.

17. (currently amended) The ~~system~~ method of claim 10, ~~wherein the equipment of the futures exchange system is configured to allow~~ further comprising: utilization of utilizing analysis tools related to the intangible asset at least one futures contract.

18. (currently amended) The ~~system of claim 12, wherein the equipment of the futures exchange system is configured to allow utilization of analysis tools related to the intangible asset futures contract fund.~~ The method of claim 1, wherein making the future payment includes making a payment to the obligor at a date identified by the at least one futures contract.

19. (currently amended) The ~~system~~ method of claim 10, wherein ~~the equipment of the futures exchange system is configured to execute~~ executing the trade of the ~~intangible asset futures contract by~~ includes matching of a buy offer and a sell offer.

20. (currently amended) ~~The system of claim 12, wherein the equipment of the futures exchange system is configured to execute the trade of the intangible asset futures contract fund by matching of buy offers and sell offers.~~ The method of claim 21, wherein the at least one term includes at least one of a term of the structure of obligations.

21. (currently amended) A method for standardizing information, the method comprising the steps of: system of trading of intangible asset futures contracts in a computer-based futures exchange system;

standardizing, by a computer-based system, at least one term related to a plurality of futures contracts for a secondary market, in which the futures contracts are based on underlying obligations of a structure in which the futures contract obligates a holder of the futures contract to make a future payment obligation of an obligee to an obligor and entitles the holder to control a future performance obligation of the obligor.

~~wherein the equipment of the futures exchange system offers standard intangible asset offer terms for transactions.~~

22. (currently amended) ~~A system of trading of intangible asset futures contracts in a computer-based futures exchange system, wherein the equipment of the futures exchange system offers standard intangible asset futures contract terms. The method of claim 10, wherein making the future payment includes making a payment to the obligor at a date identified by the at least one futures contract.~~

23. (currently amended) The ~~system~~ method of claim ~~[[22]]~~ 21, further comprising wherein the standard intangible asset futures contract terms are categorized based on categories of intangible asset futures contracts. categorizing the plurality of futures contracts.

24. (new) A method comprising the steps of:
providing an indication of a futures contract to a computer-based system designed to provide information about a secondary market for a plurality of futures contracts, in which the futures contracts is based on underlying obligations of a structure in which the futures contract obligates a holder of the futures contract to make a future payment obligation of an obligee to an obligor and entitles the holder to control a future performance obligation of the obligor.

25. (new) The method of claim 24, in which the future performance includes at least one of a sport performance and an artistic performance.

26. (new) A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing a method comprising:

causing the system to provide an indication of a futures contract to a computer-based system designed to provide information about a secondary market for a plurality of futures contracts, in which the futures contracts are based on underlying obligations of a structure in which the futures contract obligates a holder of the futures contract to make a future payment obligation of an obligee to an obligor and entitles the holder to control a future performance obligation of the obligor; and

a processor configured to execute the instructions.

27. (new) The method of claim 26, in which the future performance includes at least one of a sport performance and an artistic performance.